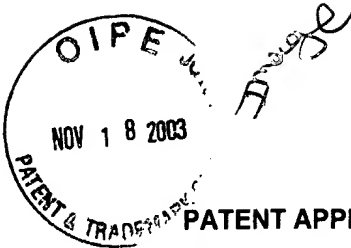


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**RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT**  
**UNDER 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.111, 1.112, 1.121**

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**a. Introductory Comments**

Claims 1 – 10, 12 – 25, and 28 – 33 were previously allowed. The Office Action rejects claims 34 - 39, 41 – 42, and 44.

Herein, Applicants amend claims 1, 4 -5, 22 -24, and 34 -35.

5 Applicants request reconsideration.

**b. Amendments to the Specification**

None